

**ABSTRACT**

A knee brace is provided having an upper leg support, a lower leg support,  
5 a hinge mechanism connecting the leg supports and knee straps which cross the  
knee and apply a three-point corrective unloading force to a degenerated  
compartment of the knee joint. The lower leg support includes upper and lower  
arms pivotally attached to each other allowing angular adjustment of the knee  
brace in the coronal plane to provide a varus/valgus correction to the wearer's  
10 leg. The hinge mechanism may be aligned with the wearer's forward progression  
by rotationally adjusting the upper and lower leg supports relative to the hinge  
mechanism.